

Tuesday, May 9, 1995

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6291–S6368

Measures Introduced: Twenty bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 766–785, and S. Res. 117–119. Pages S6337, S6357–58

Measures Passed:

Visit of Lee Teng-hui of Taiwan: By 97 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 157), Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 53, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding a private visit by President Lee Teng-hui of the Republic of China on Taiwan to the United States.

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United States—Japan Trade Relations: By 88 yeas to 8 nays (Vote No. 158), Senate agreed to S. Res. 118, concerning United States—Japan trade relations. Pages S6322–25, S6358

Authorizing Senate Testimony: Senate agreed to S. Res. 119, to authorize testimony by Senate employee and representation by Senate Legal Counsel.

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Product Liability Fairness Act: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 956, to establish legal standards and procedures for product liability litigation, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages S6305–06, S6318–22, S6330–35

Adopted:

Gorton/Rockefeller Modified Amendment No. 709 (to Amendment No. 690), in the nature of a substitute.

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Pending:

(1) Gorton Amendment No. 596, in the nature of a substitute. Page S6305

(2) Coverdell/Dole Amendment No. 690 (to Amendment No. 596), in the nature of a substitute.

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(3) Shelby/Heflin Modified Amendment No. 693 (to Amendment No. 690), to provide that a defendant may be liable for certain damages if the alleged harm to a claimant is death and certain damages are provided for under State law.

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(4) Harkin Amendment No. 749 (to Amendment No. 690), to adjust the limitation on punitive damages that may be awarded against certain defendants.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 60 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 156), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on Coverdell/Dole Amendment No. 690, listed above.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and certain amendments to be proposed thereto, with a vote on final disposition to occur on Wednesday, May 10, 1995.

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Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Wednesday, May 10, 1995.

Solid Waste Disposal Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 534, to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to provide authority for States to limit the interstate transportation of municipal solid waste, on Wednesday, May 10, 1995.

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Appointments:

Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276d–276g, as amended, appointed Senator Akaka as a member of the Senate Delegation to the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group during the First Session of the 104th Congress, to be held in Huntsville, Ontario, Canada, May 18–22, 1995.

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Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276h–276k, as amended, appointed Senator Feinstein as a member of the Senate Delegation to the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group during the First Session of the 104th Congress, to be held in Tucson, Arizona, May 12–14, 1995.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 155 EX), John M. Deutch, of Massachusetts, to be Director of Central Intelligence.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

John P. White, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Secretary of Defense. Page S6368

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—158) Pages S6305, S6306, S6315, S6324

Recess: Senate convened at 9:15 a.m., and recessed at 8:13 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 10, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S6368.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for the National Guard and Reserve programs, receiving testimony from Lt. Gen. Edward D. Baca, USA, Chief, National Guard Bureau; Maj. Gen. John R. D'Araujo, Jr., Director, Army National Guard; Maj. Gen. Donald W. Shepperd, USAF, Director, Air National Guard; Maj. Gen. Max Baratz, USA, Chief of Army Reserve; Rear Adm. Thomas F. Hall, USN, Director of Naval Reserve; Maj. Gen. James Livingston, USMC, Commanding General of Marine Forces Reserve; and Maj. Gen. Robert A. McIntosh, USAF, Chief of Air Force Reserve.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, May 17.

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for military construction programs of the Department of Defense, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Robert B. Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment); and Jimmy G. Dishner, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations).

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, May 25.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower concluded hearings on S. 727, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the Department of the Navy's implementation of its strategy for Littoral Warfare, after receiving testimony from Nora Slatkin, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; Vice Adm. T. Joseph Lopez, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Warfare Requirements and Assessment; and Lt. Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command.

1996 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee continued markup of a proposed concurrent resolution on the fiscal year 1996 budget for the Federal Government, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

SUPERFUND REFORM

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Superfund, Waste Control, and Risk Assessment resumed oversight hearings on the implementation of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, focusing on the impact of Superfund on Federal facility clean-up programs, receiving testimony from Thomas P. Grumbly, Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management; Sherri W. Goodman, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Environmental Security; Christopher Jones, Ohio Attorney General's Office, Columbus; Frank L. Parker, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee; Mary P. Morningstar, Lockheed-Martin Corporation, Boston, Massachusetts; Barry P. Steinberg, Rosslyn, Virginia, on behalf of the National Association of Installation Developers; Lenny Siegel, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, California; and Andrew Paterson, RIMTech, Pasadena, California, on behalf of Environmental Business Partners.

Hearings continue on Thursday, May 11.

MEDICARE TRUST FUNDS

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine the fiscal solvency of Medicare and the status of the program's delivery of health care services, focusing on the 1995 Annual Reports of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Hospital Insurance and Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Funds, receiving testimony from Donna E. Shalala, Secretary, and Shirley S. Chater, Commissioner of Social Security, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; and Stanford G. Ross, Washington, D.C., and

David M. Walker, Atlanta, Georgia, both on behalf of the Social Security and Medicare Boards of Trustees.

Hearings continue on Thursday, May 11.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 1578–1598, 2 private bills, H.R. 1599–1600; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 65, and H. Res. 141–142 were introduced.

Pages H4617–18

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Con. Res. 64, authorizing the 1995 Special Olympics Torch Relay to be run through the Capitol Grounds (H. Rept. 104–113);

H. Res. 140, providing for the consideration of H.R. 961, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (H. Rept. 104–114); and

H.R. 1266, to provide for the exchange of lands within Admiralty Island National Monument, amended (H. Rept. 104–115).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Dickey to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: House recessed at 1:05 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Journal: By a recorded vote of 364 ayes to 40 noes, with 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 310, the House approved the Journal of Wednesday, May 3.

Pages H4553, H4597

Committees To Sit: The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit today during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Committees on Agriculture, Banking and Financial Services, Economic and Educational Opportunities, Government Reform and Oversight, House Oversight, International Relations, Judiciary, Resources, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

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Presidential Message—Antiterrorism: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits proposed legislation to combat domestic and international terrorism—referred to the Committees on the Judiciary, Banking and Financial Services, and Commerce and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–71).

Pages H4557–58

Atlantic Striped Bass Conservation: House voted to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 1139, to amend the Atlantic Striped Bass Conservation Act.

Pages H4558–59

Special Olympics Torch Relay: House agreed to H. Con. Res. 64, authorizing the 1995 Special Olympics Torch Relay to be run through the Capitol Grounds.

Pages H4562–63

Coast Guard Authorization for 1996: By a yeas-and-nays vote of 406 yeas to 12 nays, Roll No. 309, the House passed H.R. 1361, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for the Coast Guard.

Pages H4563–96

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule.

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Agreed To:

The Coble en bloc amendments that extend the term of Towing Safety Advisory Committee from September 30, 1995 to October 1, 2000; require U.S. citizenship for ownership of a documented vessel; amend trustee restrictions provisions; provide additional criteria for vessels to be endorsed with a coastwise endorsement and to be granted a demise charter; address limits on financial liability for tank vessels; limit consolidation or relocation of the Houston and Galveston Marine Safety Offices; express the sense of the Congress regarding funding for the Coast Guard; convey right, title and interest in the Light Station Montauk Point to the Montauk Historic Association of Montauk, New York; convey right, title and interest in the Cape Ann Lighthouse, Thatchers Island, Massachusetts to the town of Rockport, Massachusetts; amend the Johnson Act, related to vessels on voyages within the territorial jurisdiction of Indiana; transfer the United States Coast Guard Cuttyhunk Boathouse and Wharf to the town of Gosnold, Massachusetts; transfer the United States Coast Guard Station Block Island to the town of New Shoreham, Rhode Island, and indemnifies the town of New Shoreham for any environmental liability arising from that property; provide for tort reform related to cruise vessels; provide for the additional conveyances of vessels; provide limited waiver language for the coastwise operation certification of two vessels of Panamanian registry; and provide a

limited waiver on the transfer and sale of a certain vessel to an individual not of U.S. citizenship;

Pages H4580–83

The Roth amendment that prohibits the Coast Guard from charging user fees for the inspection of ferry vessels; and

Pages H4589–90

The Hoekstra amendment that requires the Coast Guard, before it could close a multimission small boat station, to cooperate with the local community in developing and implementing a transition plan to ensure that the maritime safety needs of the community will continue to be met.

Pages H4591–92

Rejected:

The Traficant amendment that sought to prohibit the use of appropriated 1996 funds to close any multimission small boat stations, but provides the authority to the Secretary to implement management efficiencies within the small boat system (rejected by a recorded vote of 146 ayes to 272 noes, Roll No. 308); and

Pages H4583–89

The DeFazio amendment that sought to permit the closure of multimission small boat stations only if it is determined that closing a station will adversely affect maritime safety less than the elimination of Coast Guard administrative aircraft.

Pages H4590–91

A point of order was sustained against the following amendments:

The Nadler amendment that sought to provide that any Coast Guard civilian employee assigned to Governor's Island, New York, who becomes unemployed as a result of the closure or realignment of that installation, would be eligible for full retirement benefits if that person would otherwise have been eligible for retirement within 5 years; and

Pages H4592–93

The Tauzin amendment that sought to reduce the amount the Coast Guard charges in user fees for inspecting small passenger vessels.

Pages H4593–95

The Nadler amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn that sought to prohibit the Coast Guard from closing or realigning any facility or installation unless such action is done in accordance with the procedures established under the Base Closure Act.

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The Clerk was authorized to make technical corrections including corrections in spelling, punctuation, section numbering, and cross-references in the engrossment of the bill.

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H. Res. 139, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

Pages H4559–62

Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H4620–72.

Referrals: One Senate-passed bill was referred to the appropriate House committee.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H4553.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4588–89, H4596, H4597. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ELIMINATION OF WOOL AND MOHAIR PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry held a hearing on the Effects of the Elimination of the Wool and Mohair Program on the American Sheep and Wool Industry. Testimony was heard from Representatives Skeen and Bonilla; Keith J. Collins, Acting Chief Economist, USDA; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing on 1996/1997 Air Force Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Air Force: Sheila E. Widnall, Secretary; and Gen. Ronald R. Fogelman, USAF, Chief of Staff.

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPETITIVENESS ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Ordered reported amended H.R. 1062, Financial Services Competitiveness Act of 1995.

TITLE IX

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning held a hearing on Title IX. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hastert and Collins of Illinois; Norma Cantu, Assistant Secretary, Civil Rights, Department of Education; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology continued oversight hearings on National Performance Review, with emphasis on Strengthening Departmental Management. Testimony was heard from Tom Glynn, Deputy Secretary,

Department of Labor; George Munoz, Assistant Secretary, Management/Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury; the following officials of the GAO: Johnny C. Finch, Assistant Comptroller General, General Government Division; and Gene L. Dodaro, Assistant Comptroller General, Accounting and Information Management Division; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations held an oversight hearing on Opportunities for Increased Efficiency in the Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from Stephen Trodden, Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; David Baine, Director, Federal Health Care Delivery Issues, GAO; representatives of the following: Paralyzed Veterans of America; Disabled American Veterans; and the American Legion.

BROOKS VERSUS HARMAN

Committee on House Oversight: Task Force on Contested Election assigned to the Thirty-Sixth Congressional District of California adopted a motion to defer consideration of Representative Harman's motion to dismiss Brooks versus Harman case.

AMERICAN OVERSEAS INTERESTS ACT

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on H.R. 1561, American Overseas Interests Act. Testimony was heard from Richard Moose, Under Secretary, Management, Department of State; J. Brian Atwood, Administrator, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; Joseph Duffey, Director, U.S. Information Agency; and Ralph Earle, II, Deputy Director, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency.

AMERICAN OVERSEAS INTERESTS ACT

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Relations and Human Rights approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 1561, American Overseas Interests Act.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ROLE

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on Telecommunications: The Role of the Department of Justice. Testimony was heard from Anne K. Bingaman, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

PERMIT EXPORT OF CERTAIN DOMESTICALLY PRODUCED CRUDE OIL

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on H.R. 70, to permit export of certain domestically produced

crude oil. Testimony was heard from Representative Thomas; William H. White, Deputy Secretary, Department of Energy; Roger Marks, Petroleum Economist, Department of Revenue, State of Alaska; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing on Sodium mineral leasing issues: what is "fair market value" royalty on trona, and what are the implications on the export market for soda ash? Testimony was heard from Senators Simpson and Thomas; Bob Armstrong, Assistant Secretary, Department of the Interior; James E. Geringer, Governor, State of Wyoming; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands held an oversight hearing on Federal Land Exchange Policies and Regulations. Testimony was heard from Maitland Sharpe, Assistant Director, Resource Assessment and Planning, Department of the Interior; Gray Reynolds, Deputy Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

CLEAN WATER AMENDMENTS

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing for 2 hours of debate on H.R. 961, Clean Water Amendments of 1995.

The rule waives section 302(f) of the Budget Act, prohibiting new budget authority in excess of a committee's section 602(b) allocation, against consideration of the bill.

The rule makes in order the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute as original text for amendment purposes. Clause 7 of XVI, prohibiting non-germane amendments, clause 5(a) of rule XXI, prohibiting appropriations in a legislative bill, and section 302(f) of the Budget Act, are waived against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. The substitute shall be considered by title instead of section for amendment, and each title shall be considered as read.

The rule first makes in order an amendment by Representative Shuster printed in the Rules Committee report which shall be considered as read, is not subject to amendment or to a division of the question, and is debatable for 10 minutes. If adopted, the amendment shall be considered as original text for further amendment purposes. The Chair may accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was

heard from Chairman Shuster and Representatives Boehlert, Mineta, Borski, Hayes, and Pallone.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Met in executive session to consider pending business.

ISSUES RELATING TO SEVERAL RECENTLY EXPIRED TAX LAW PROVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the Targeted Jobs Tax Credit, and Exclusion for Employer-Provided Educational Assistance, the Orphan Drug Credit and Other Temporary Tax Provisions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Jacobs, Houghton, Camp, Dunn of Washington, Collins of Georgia, and Roth; Cynthia Beerbower, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury; Doug Ross, Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training, Department of Labor; Patrick V. Murphy, Acting Assistant Secretary, Aviation and International Affairs, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

INTELLIGENCE PERSONNEL

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Intelligence Personnel. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT

Joint Hearing: Committee on Labor and Human Resources' Subcommittee on Disability Policy concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Economic and Education Opportunity Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families on the 20th anniversary of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, focusing on its implementation and recommendations for improvement, after receiving testimony from Senators Jeffords and Simon; Patricia Wald, Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit; Thomas A. Masterson, Morgan, Lewis and Bochi, Thomas K. Gilhool, Public Interest Law Center, and Dennis Haggerty, all of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Julian Tepper, Levin and Tepper, Bethesda, Maryland; Jack Duncan, Duncan and Associates, and Lisa Walker, Educational Writers Association, both of Washington, D.C.; Frederick J. Weintraub, Council for Exceptional Children, Reston, Virginia; Michael A. Resnick, National School Boards Association, Alexandria, Virginia; Martha Ziegler, Federation for Children with Special Needs, Boston, Massachusetts; and Marca Bristo, National Council on Disability, Chicago, Illinois.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, and Food and Consumer Service, each of the Department of Agriculture, 11 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Airland Forces, to hold open and closed (SR-222) hearings on S. 727, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on tactical intelligence and related activities in the Army and Air Force, 3 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on the Budget, business meeting, to continue markup of a proposed concurrent resolution on the fiscal year 1996 budget for the Federal Government, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings on the nomination of James John Hoecker, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Emergency Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Supplemental Proposed Rulemaking, Promoting Wholesale Competition Through Open-Access Non-Discriminatory Transmission Services by Public Utilities (Docket No. RM95-8-000), and Recovery Stranded Costs by Public Utilities and Transmitting Utilities (Docket No. RM94-7-001), 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, business meeting, to mark up S. 440, to provide for the designation of the National Highway System, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance, to hold hearings on S. 16, to establish a commission to review the dispute settlement reports of the World Trade Organization, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings on the nominations of Larry C. Napper, of Texas, to be Ambassador to Latvia, Peter Tomsen, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tajikistan, Lawrence Palmer Taylor, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, Jenonne R. Walker, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Czech Republic, and James Alan Williams, of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as the Special Coordinator for Cyprus, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration, to hold hearings on verification of applicant identity for purposes of employment and public assistance, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the role of the military in combatting terrorism, 1 p.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture, hearing on the Food Stamp Program and Electronic Benefit Transfer Systems, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on National Security, on Air Force Acquisition 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Committee on the Budget, to mark up the fiscal year 1996 Budget Resolution, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance, hearing on the following: H.R. 1555, Communications Act of 1995; H.R. 514, to repeal the restrictions on foreign ownership of licensed telecommunications facilities; H.R. 912, to permit registered utility holding companies to participate in the provision of telecommunications services; H.R. 1556, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to reduce the restrictions on ownership of broadcasting stations, and other media of mass communications; and related telecommunications reform legislation, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1557, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1996, 1997, and 1998 for the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Institute for Museum Services; and to repeal the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965 effective October 1, 1998; and H.R. 1045, to amend the Goals 2000: Educate America Act to eliminate the National Education Standards and Improvement Council, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on House Oversight, to consider pending business, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, to mark up H.R. 1562, Foreign Affairs Agencies Consolidation Act of 1995, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on authorization and oversight of the Environment and Natural Resources Division of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 39, Fishery Conservation and Management Amendments of 1995; H.R. 260, National Park System Reform Act of 1995; H.R. 1077, to authorize the Bureau of Land Management; and H.R. 1091, to improve the National Park System in the Commonwealth of Virginia, 11 a.m., and to hold a hearing on the Endangered Species Act, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Native American Affairs, hearing on H.R. 1448, to amend the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 to require that determinations regarding status as an Indian child and as a member of an Indian tribe be prospective from the date of birth of the child and of total membership of the member, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on Federal Adoption Policy, 11 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on the Research and Experimentation Tax Credit and the Allocation of Research Expenses Under Internal Revenue Code Section 861, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Joint Committee on the Library, to hold an organizational meeting, 3 p.m., S-128, Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 10

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

11 a.m., Wednesday, May 10

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 956, Product Liability Fairness Act, with final disposition to occur thereon, following which Senate will consider S. 534, Solid Waste Disposal Act.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 961, Clean Water Amendments of 1995 (open rule, two hours of general debate).

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